

November 3, 1999, in accordance with subsections 244(b)(3)(A) and (C) of the Act. This notice also describes the procedures with which eligible aliens who are nationals of Sudan (or who have no nationality and who last habitually resided in Sudan) must comply in order to re-register for TPS.

In addition to timely re-registrations and late re-registrations authorized by this notice's extension of the Sudan TPS designation, late initial registrations are possible for some Sudanese under 8 CFR 244.2(f)(2). Such late initial registrants must have been "continuously physically present" and have "continuously resided" in the United States since November 4, 1997, must have had a valid immigrant or nonimmigrant status during the original registration period or have had an application for such status pending during the initial registration period, and must register no later than 30 days from the expiration of such status.

An application for TPS does not preclude or adversely affect an application for asylum or any other immigration benefit. Any national of Sudan who is otherwise eligible for TPS and has applied for, or plans to apply for, asylum, but who has not yet been granted asylum or withholding of removal, may also apply for TPS.

Nationals of Sudan (or aliens having no nationality who last habitually resided in Sudan) who have been continuously physically present and have continuously resided in the United States since November 4, 1997, may re-register for TPS within the registration period which begins on November 3, 1998, and ends on December 2, 1998.

This notice concerns "extension of TPS designation," not "redesignation of TPS." An extension of TPS designation does not change the required dates of continuous residence and continuous physical presence in the United States.

Nationals of Sudan may re-register for TPS by filing an Application for Temporary Protected Status, Form I-821. There is no filing fee for the Form I-821 for re-registration. The Application for Temporary Protected Status, Form I-821, must always be accompanied by an Application for Employment Authorization, Form I-765, which is required for data-gathering purposes. The fee for the Form I-765 is one hundred dollars (\$100). TPS applicants who already have employment authorization, including some asylum applicants, and those who have no need for employment authorization, including minor children, must complete and file the I-765 but should submit no fee. In all other cases, the appropriate filing fee must

accompany Form I-765, unless a properly documented fee waiver request under 8 CFR 244.20 is submitted to the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Notice of Extension of Designation of Sudan Under the Temporary Protected Status Program

By the authority vested in me as Attorney General under section 244 of the Act (8 U.S.C. 1254), and pursuant to subsections 244(b)(3)(A) and (C) of the Act, I have consulted with the appropriate agencies of the Government concerning whether the conditions under which Sudan was designated for TPS continue to exist. As a result, I have determined that the conditions for the original designation of Temporary Protected Status for Sudan continue to be met. Accordingly, it is ordered as follows:

(1) The designation of Sudan under subsection 244(b) of the Act is extended for an additional 12-month period lasting from November 4, 1998, to November 3, 1999.

(2) I estimate that there are approximately 4,000 nationals of Sudan (and aliens having no nationality who last habitually resided in Sudan) who have been granted Temporary Protected Status and who are eligible for re-registration.

(3) In order to maintain current registration for Temporary Protected Status, a national of Sudan (or an alien having no nationality who last habitually resided in Sudan) who received a grant of TPS during the initial period of designation, from November 4, 1997, to November 3, 1998, must comply with the re-registration requirements contained in 8 CFR 244.17, which are described in pertinent part in paragraphs (4) and (5) of this notice.

(4) A national of Sudan (or an alien having no nationality who last habitually resided in Sudan) who previously has been granted TPS, must re-register for TPS by filing a new Application for Temporary Protected Status, Form I-821, along with an Application for Employment Authorization, Form I-765, within the 30-day period beginning on November 3, 1998 and ending on December 2, 1998, in order to be eligible for Temporary Protected Status during the period from November 4, 1998, until November 3, 1999. Late re-registration may be allowed when good cause is shown for a failure to timely re-register pursuant to 8 CFR 244.17(c).

(5) A national of Sudan (or an alien having no nationality who last habitually resided in Sudan) may submit a late initial registration under 8

CFR 244.2(f)(2), if the alien has been "continuously physically present" and "continuously resided" in the United States since November 4, 1997, had a valid immigrant or nonimmigrant status during the original registration period or had an application for such status pending during the initial registration period, and registers no later than 30 days from the expiration of such status.

(6) There is no fee for Form I-821 filed as part of the re-registration application. Late initial registrants must submit a Form I-821 with the prescribed filing fee of fifty dollars (\$50). A Form I-765 must be filed with the Form I-821. If the alien requests employment authorization for the extension period, the fee prescribed in 8 CFR 103.7(b)(1) or a properly documented fee waiver request pursuant to 8 CFR 244.20, must accompany the Form I-765. The prescribed fee for the Form I-765 is one hundred dollars (\$100). A alien who does not request employment authorization must nonetheless file Form I-765 along with Form I-821, but in such cases no fee will be charged.

(7) Pursuant to subsection 244(b)(3)(A) of the Act, the Attorney General will review, at least 60 days before to determine whether the conditions for designation continue to be met. Notice of that determination, including the basis for the determination, will be published in the **Federal Register**.

(8) Information concerning the TPS program for nationals of Sudan (and aliens having no nationality who last habitually resided in Sudan) will be available at local Immigration and Naturalization Service offices upon publication of this notice.

Dated: October 29, 1998.

Janet Reno,

Attorney General.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary

Delegation of Authority To Assert Governmental Privileges; Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration

On October 28, 1998, I issued a memorandum to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Pension and Welfare Benefits delegating to the Assistant Secretary for Pension and Welfare Benefits authority to assert certain governmental privileges. A copy of that memorandum is annexed hereto as an Appendix.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Debra Golding, Special Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Pension and Welfare Benefits, telephone number (202) 219-8233.

Signed at Washington, D.C., this 28th day of October, 1998.

Alexis M. Herman,
Secretary of Labor.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

October 28, 1998.

Memorandum for Meredith Miller,
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Pension and Welfare Benefits

From: Alexis M. Herman.

Subject: Specific Delegation of Authority to the Assistant Secretary for Pension and Welfare Benefits.

Effective immediately, the Assistant Secretary for Pension and Welfare Benefits is hereby delegated authority and assigned responsibility to invoke all appropriate claims of governmental privilege, arising from the functions of the Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, following his/her personal consideration of the matter, and in accordance with the following guidelines:

(a) *Informant's Privilege* (to protect from disclosure the identity of any person who has provided information to the Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration in cases arising under the statutes listed in paragraph 4a of the Secretary's Order 1-87): A claim of privilege may be asserted where the Assistant Secretary has determined that disclosure of the privileged matter may: (1) interfere with the Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration's enforcement of a particular statute for which the Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration exercises investigative or enforcement authority; (2) adversely affect persons who have provided information to the Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration; or (3) deter other persons from reporting violations of the statutes.

(b) *Deliberative Process Privilege* (to withhold information which may disclose pre-decisional intra-agency or inter-agency deliberations, including the analysis and evaluation of fact, written summaries of factual evidence, and recommendations, opinions or advice on legal or policy matters in cases arising under the statutes listed in paragraph 4a of Secretary's Order 1-87): A claim of privilege may be asserted where the Assistant Secretary has determined that disclosure of the privileged matter would have an inhibiting effect on the agency's decision-making processes.

(c) *Privilege for Investigational Files Compiled for Law Enforcement Purposes* (to withhold information which may reveal the Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration's confidential investigative techniques and procedures): The investigative file privilege may be asserted where the Assistant Secretary has determined the disclosure of the privileged matter may have an adverse impact upon the Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration's enforcement of the statutes listed in

paragraph 4a of the Secretary's Order 1-87, by: (1) disclosing investigative techniques and methodologies; (2) deterring persons from providing information to the Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration; (3) prematurely revealing the facts of the Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration's case; or (4) disclosing the identities of persons who have provided information under an express or implied promise of confidentiality.

(d) Prior to filing a formal claim of privilege, the Assistant Secretary shall personally review all documents sought to be withheld (or, in case where the volume is so large that all of them cannot be personally reviewed in a reasonable time, an adequate and representative sample of such documents), together with a description or summary of the litigation with which the disclosure is sought.

(e) In asserting a claim of governmental privilege, the Assistant Secretary may ask the Solicitor of Labor, or the Solicitor's representative, to file any necessary legal papers or documents.

I hereby ratify any invocation of these privileges made by you since September 1, 1998, that was made in a manner consistent with the guidelines set forth in this memorandum.

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice (98-159)]

NASA Advisory Council (NAC), Task Force on International Space Station Operational Readiness; Meeting

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of meeting change.

FEDERAL REGISTER CITATION OF PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENT: 63 FR 188, Notice Number 98-134, September 29, 1998.

PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED DATE AND ADDRESS OF MEETING: Tuesday, November 3, 1998, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.; Central Standard Time; Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center, NASA, Building 1, Room 920L, Houston, TX 77058-3696.

CHANGES IN THE MEETING: Date changed to November 4, 1998; Time and location remain the same.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Dennis McSweeney, Code IH, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC 20546-0001, 202/358-4556.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting will be open to the public up to the seating capacity of the room. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- Review the results of the IOR Task Force Working Group on International Space Station Software assessment.
- Review the results of the IOR Task Force Working Group on International Space Station Training assessment.
- Receive a briefing from the International Space Station Program Office on the current status of the International Space Station.

It is imperative that the meeting be held on these dates to accommodate the scheduling priorities of the key participants. Visitors will be requested to sign a visitors register.

Dated: October 28, 1998.

Matthew M. Crouch,

Advisory Committee Management Officer,
National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES**Federal Council on the Arts and the Humanities Arts and Artifacts Indemnity Panel Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting**

Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463 as amended) notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Arts and Artifacts Indemnity Panel of the Federal Council on the Arts and the Humanities will be held at 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20506, in Room 730, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., on Friday, November 20, 1998.

The purpose of the meeting is to review applications for Certificates of Indemnity submitted to the Federal Council on the Arts and the Humanities for exhibitions beginning after January 1, 1999.

Because the proposed meeting will consider financial and commercial data and because it is important to keep values of objects, methods of transportation and security measures confidential, pursuant to the authority granted me by the Chairman's Delegation of Authority to Close Advisory Committee Meetings, dated July 19, 1993, I have determined that the meeting would fall within exemptions (4) and (9) of 5 U.S.C. 552(b) and that it is essential to close the meeting to protect the free exchange of views and to avoid interference with the operations of the Committee.

It is suggested that those desiring more specific information contact the Advisory Committee Management Officer, Nancy E. Weiss, 1100